



## Fort Sumter National Monument

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Fort Sumter sits in Charleston Harbor. Visitors arrive by ferry boats from two locations-one owned and operated by the NPS in Charleston and one leased by the concessioner in Mt. Pleasant, SC. The park includes Fort Moultrie (1776-1947) and the US Coast Guard Life Saving Station (1896). Authorized in 1948, Fort Sumter commemorates one of America's defining moments from which we judge where we are with where we have been. America's most tragic conflict ignited at Fort Sumter on April 12, 1861 when a chain reaction of social, economic, and political events exploded into civil war. At the heart of these events were the developing issues of state rights, economy, shifting political power, and federal authority dating from the American Revolution.

Date of President Bush's visit: No

### Park Visitation:

- 2001: 919,443
- 2002: 922,776

### Park Budget:

- FY 2001: \$1,632,000
- FY 2002: \$1,773,000
- FY 2003: \$1,786,000
- FY 2004 (est): \$1,799,000

### Park Staffing: (Full Time Equivalents)

- FY 2001: 32
- FY 2002: 32
- FY 2003: 32

### Park Volunteers:

- 2001: 155 volunteers contributed 7,442 hours.
- 2002: 34 volunteers contributed 9,550 hours.
- 2003: 16 volunteers contributed 7,880 hours.

### Recent accomplishments in reducing the maintenance backlog:

In FY 2002 the following projects were funded and completed to reduce the maintenance backlog:

- \$21 K to remove contaminated septic tanks at the U.S. Coast Guard Life Saving Station facilities and Construction 230.
- \$15 K to repair parapet wall at Fort Moultrie 1809 Section
- \$305.5 K to seal the roof of Fort Sumter casemate and interior repointing.

In FY 03, the following projects were funded. Construction is underway to be completed in FY 04.

- \$173 K to dredge Fort Moultrie canal.
- \$94.1 K Flagpoles at Fort Sumter. Main flagpole engineering analysis to determine needed repairs.

- \$168.6 K Sealing Fort Moultrie Sallyport.

In FY 04, the following projects have been approved:

- \$250 K Handicap lifts at Fort Sumter and Liberty Square
- \$21.5 K Install HAZMAT storage building and equipment
- \$17 K Repaint Fort Moultrie Visitor Center Exterior
- \$98.5 K Fort Moultrie water intrusion at sallyport
- \$84 K Replace parkwide security system – electronic devices
- \$130 K Repaint Historic U.S. Coast Guard Life Saving Station buildings on Sullivan’s Island now owned and used by the NPS.

#### Concessionaires:

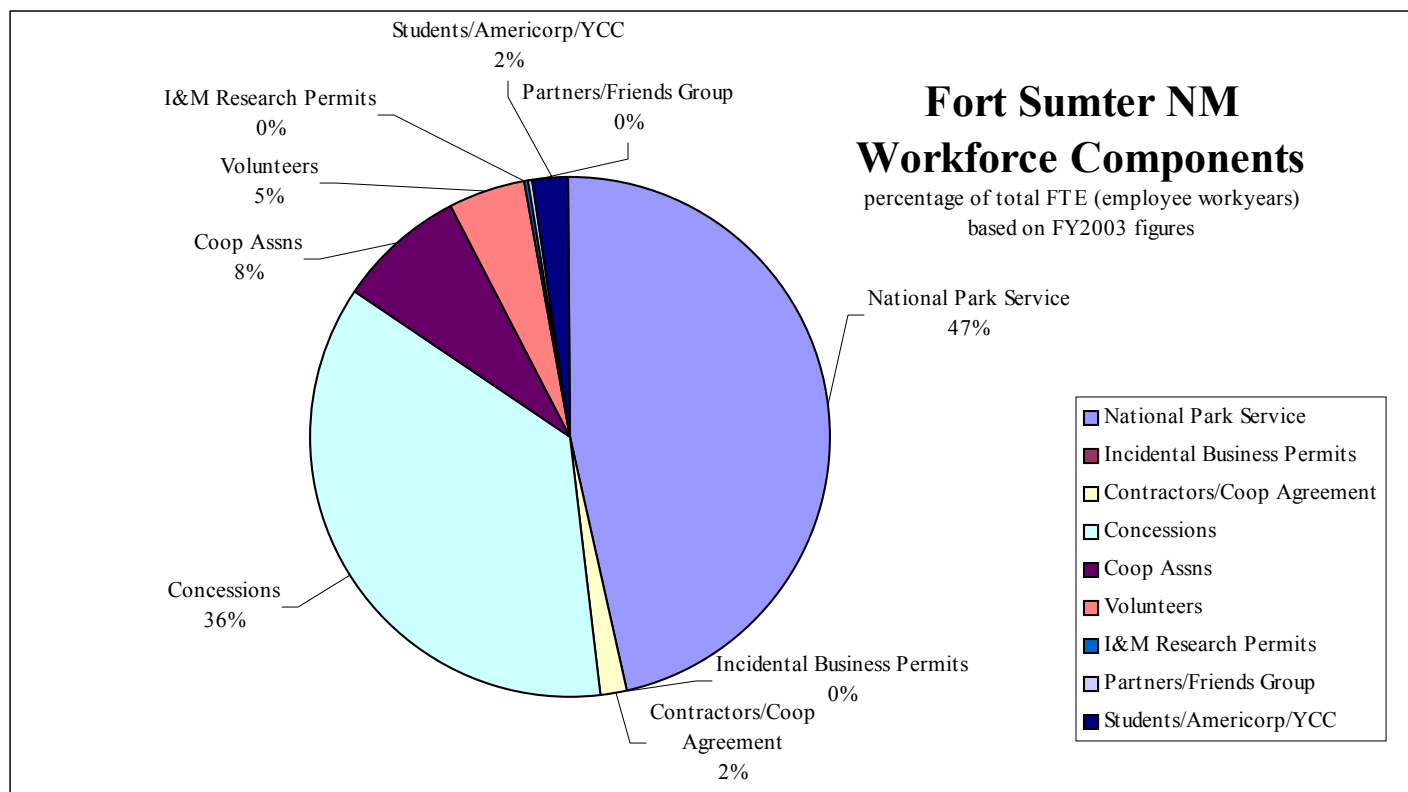
- The park has one concessionaire with total annual gross receipts of \$2.9 million for calendar year 2002.

#### Congressional Delegation:

- Senator Ernest F. Hollings (R-SC)
- Senator Lindsey Graham (R-SC)
- Representative Henry E. Brown, Jr. (R-SC), 1<sup>st</sup> district
- Representative James E. Clyburn (D-SC), 6<sup>th</sup> district

#### Park Superintendent:

- John Tucker 843-883-3123 x14



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